# PRIOR AUTHORIZATION CRITERIA

BRAND NAME (generic)

ALBENZA (albendazole)

BILTRICIDE (praziquantel)

**EGATEN** 

(triclabendazole)

**EMVERM** 

(mebendazole)

Status: CVS Caremark Criteria

Type: Post Limit Prior Authorization

## **POLICY**

## FDA-APPROVED INDICATIONS

## Albenza

Neurocysticercosis

Albenza is indicated for the treatment of parenchymal neurocysticercosis due to active lesions caused by larval forms of the pork tapeworm, Taenia solium.

Hydatid Disease

Albenza is indicated for the treatment of cystic hydatid disease of the liver, lung, and peritoneum, caused by the larval form of the dog tapeworm, Echinococcus granulosus.

#### **Biltricide**

Biltricide is indicated in patients aged 1 year and older for the treatment of the following infections:

Schistosomiasis due to all species of schistosoma (for example, Schistosoma mekongi, Schistosoma japonicum,
Schistosoma mansoni and Schistosoma hematobium), and Clonorchiasis and Opisthorchiasis due to the liver flukes,
Clonorchia singuisia (Opisthorchia vivorripi (opproval of this indication was based on studies in which the two appaies were

Clonorchis sinensis/Opisthorchis viverrini (approval of this indication was based on studies in which the two species were not differentiated)

#### **Compendial Uses**

Treatment of intestinal infections caused by Taenia solium, Taenia saginata, Diphyllobothrium latum and Hymenolepis

#### Egaten

Egaten is indicated for the treatment of fascioliasis in patients 6 years of age or older

#### **Emverm**

Emverm is indicated for the treatment of patients two years of age and older with gastrointestinal infections caused by Ancylostoma duodenale (hookworm), Ascaris lumbricoides (roundworm), Enterobius vermicularis (pinworm), Necator americanus (hookworm), and Trichuris trichiura (whipworm).

## **COVERAGE CRITERIA**

Albenza Biltricide Egaten Emverm Post Limit Policy 1586-J 02-2020.docx

©2020 CVS Caremark. All rights reserved.

This document contains confidential and proprietary information of CVS Caremark and cannot be reproduced, distributed or printed without written permission from CVS Caremark. This document contains references to brand-name prescription drugs that are trademarks or registered trademarks of pharmaceutical manufacturers not affiliated with CVS Caremark.



The requested drug will be covered with prior authorization when the following criteria are met:

- The infection has been confirmed by a diagnostic or laboratory test (e.g. imaging scans, blood, stool, or urine test)

  AND
  - The request is for mebendazole (Emverm) in a patient 2 years of age or older for a second course of therapy (first course of therapy administered within the past year) at a dose up to 2 tablets per day for two 3 day treatments for any of the following: A) Ancylostoma duodenale (hookworm), B) Ascaris lumbricoides (roundworm), C) Enterobius vermicularis (pinworm), D) Necator americanus (hookworm), E) Trichuris trichiura (whipworm).

OR

 The request is for albendazole (Albenza) for the treatment of Hydatid Disease for a second course of therapy (first course of therapy administered within the past year) at a dose up to 4 tablets per day for three 28-day cycles with 14-day free intervals

OR

 The request is for praziquantel (Biltricide) in a patient 1 year of age or older for the treatment of schistosomiasis, clonorchiasis, or opisthorchiasis for any of the following: A) a quantity up to 36 tablets, B) a second day or course of therapy (first course of therapy administered within the past year)

OR

 The request is for triclabendazole (Egaten) in a patient 6 years of age or older for the treatment of fascioliasis for any of the following: A) a quantity up to 32 tablets, B) a second day or course of therapy (first course of therapy administered within the past year)

Quantity Limits apply.

Emverm (mebendazole): 12 tablets per 365 days\*

Albenza (albendazole): 336 tablets per 365 days\*

Biltricide (praziquantel): 72 tablets per 365 days\*

Egaten (triclabendazole): 32 tablets per 365 days\*

### **REFERENCES**

- 1. Albenza [package insert]. Horsham, PA: Amedra Pharmaceuticals LLC; December 2017.
- 2. Biltricide [package insert]. Whippany, NJ: Bayer HealthCare Pharmaceuticals Inc.; January 2019.
- 3. Egaten [package insert]. East Hanover, NJ: Novartis Pharmaceuticals Corp.: September 2019
- 4. Emverm [package insert]. Horsham, PA: Amedra Pharmaceuticals LLC; January 2019.
- 5. AHFS DI (Adult and Pediatric) [database online]. Hudson, OH: Lexi-Comp, Inc.; http://online.lexi.com/lco/action/index/dataset/complete ashp [available with subscription]. Accessed February 2020.
- 6. Micromedex Solutions [database online]. Greenwood Village, CO: Truven Health Analytics Inc. Updated periodically. www.micromedexsolutions.com [available with subscription]. Accessed February 2020
- 7. U.S. FDA Approves Vermox Chewable (Mebendazole) For Treatment of Children and Adults With Roundworm and Whipworm Infections. Available at: http://www.janssen.com/us-fda-approves-vermoxtm-chewable-mebendazole-treatment-children-and-adults-roundworm-and-whipworm. Accessed February 2020
- 8. Parasites Schistosomiasis. Available at:
  - https://www.cdc.gov/parasites/schistosomiasis/health\_professionals/index.html#tx. Accessed February 2020.
- 9. Parasites Clonorchis. Available at: https://www.cdc.gov/parasites/clonorchis/health\_professionals/index.html. Accessed February 2020.
- Parasites Opisthorchis Infection. Available at: https://www.cdc.gov/parasites/opisthorchis/health\_professionals/index.html. Accessed February 2020.
- 11. Parasites Echinococcosis. Available at: https://www.cdc.gov/parasites/echinococcosis/. Accessed February 2020.
- 12. Parasites Cysticercosis. Available at: https://www.cdc.gov/parasites/cysticercosis/. Accessed February 2020.
- 13. Parasites Fasciola. Available at: https://www.cdc.gov/parasites/fasciola/health\_professionals/index.html#tx. Accessed April 2020.
- 14. Parasites Taeniasis. Available at: https://www.cdc.gov/parasites/taeniasis/health\_professionals/index.html#tx/. Accessed February 2020.

Albenza Biltricide Egaten Emverm Post Limit Policy 1586-J 02-2020.docx

©2020 CVS Caremark. All rights reserved.

This document contains confidential and proprietary information of CVS Caremark and cannot be reproduced, distributed or printed without written permission from CVS Caremark. This document contains references to brand-name prescription drugs that are trademarks or registered trademarks of pharmaceutical manufacturers not affiliated with CVS Caremark.



- 15. Parasites Diphyllobothrium. Available at: https://www.cdc.gov/parasites/diphyllobothrium/health\_professionals/index.html/. Accessed February 2020.
- 16. Parasites Hymenolepiasis. Available at: https://www.cdc.gov/parasites/hymenolepis/health\_professionals/index.html. Accessed February 2020.
- 17. Fryar C, Gu Q, Ogden C. Anthropometric reference data for children and adults: United States, 2011–2014. National Center for Health Statistics. Vital Health Stat 3(39). 2016. Available at: https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/series/sr\_03/sr03\_039.pdf. Accessed February 2020.

Albenza Biltricide Egaten Emverm Post Limit Policy 1586-J 02-2020.docx

pharmaceutical manufacturers not affiliated with CVS Caremark.

©2020 CVS Caremark. All rights reserved.

This document contains confidential and proprietary information of CVS Caremark and cannot be reproduced, distributed or printed without written